GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PENDING SCHEMES FOR WATER SUPPLY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various water supply schemes are lying pending with the Government for clearance;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, particularly for Orissa and rural areas of Maharashtra;

(c) the reasons therefor and the period of their pendency;

(d) the estimated cost of the project proposals;

(e) whether the Union Government propose to provide special financial assistance for implementation of these schemes; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SMT. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (f): Drinking water supply is a State subject. The schemes for supply of drinking water to the rural habitations are implemented by the State Governments under the State sector Minimum Needs Programme (MNP)The Central Government supplements the efforts of the States by providing funds under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP)The powers to plan, sanction and implement individual rural drinking water supply schemes have been delegated to the State Governments. Therefore, the State Governments are not required to seek the approval of the Government of India for implementation of individual rural drinking water supply schemes.
There is no provision for special financial assistance from the Central Government for implementation of any rural drinking water supply scheme.